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**PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED PAYMENT  
OF MAINTENANCE FEE IN EXPIRED PATENT (37 CFR 1.378(c))**

SIR:

The undersigned hereby petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.378(c) to accept the payment of the maintenance fee that was due for this patent as follows:

**DATE FEE DUE AND GRACE PERIOD**

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1. The maintenance fee was due on November 15, 1997. The six month grace period provided in Section 1.362(e) expired on May 15, 1998.

**TIME OF FILING THIS PETITION**

2. This petition is being filed within twenty-four months after the six month grace period provided in Section 1.362(e), as required by 37 CFR 1.378(c).

**DELAY UNINTENTIONAL**

3. The delay in paying the maintenance fee for this patent was unintentional.

**MAINTENANCE FEE (37 CFR 1.20(e)-(g))**

4. The fee being submitted is \$1,050.00 due for a small entity for the 7 1/2 year maintenance payment pursuant to 37 CFR 1.20(f).

**SMALL ENTITY**

5. A statement establishing small entity status for this patent was filed on December 17, 1986. It is confirmed that small entity status for this patent has been checked and is still in effect.

**SURCHARGE (UNINTENTIONAL)**

6. The surcharge required by 37 CFR 1.20(i)(2) of \$1,640.00 is also being paid as a condition of accepting payment of the maintenance fee.

**FEE PAYMENT (MAINTENANCE AND SURCHARGE FEES)**

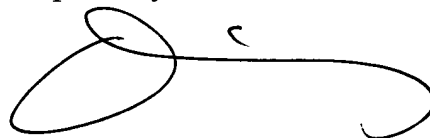
7. Enclosed is a check for the sum of \$2,690.

**OVERPAYMENT**

8. As to any overpayment made, please send check to the undersigned.

I hereby state that all statements in this petition are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and that all statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent which is the subject of this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized loop followed by a horizontal line that ends in a small upward curve.

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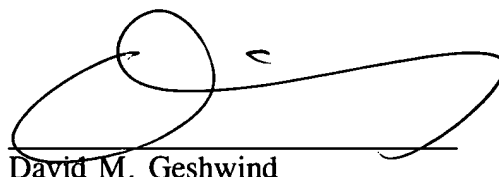


**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

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